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CONVENTION FOR THE IMMEDIATE EXCHANGE OF OFFICIAL JOURNALS,
PARLIAMENTARY ANNALS, AND DOCUMENTS.

Concluded at Brussels March 15, 1886; ratified by the President July 19, 1888; proclaimed January 15, 1889.

The President of the United States, His Majesty the King of the Belgians, His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, Her Majesty the Queen Regent of Spain, His Majesty the King of Italy, His Majesty the King of Portugal and of the Algarves, His Majesty the King of Servia, desiring to assure the immediate exchange of the Official Journal as well as of the parliamentary Annals and Documents of their respective States, have named as their Plenipotentiaries, to wit:

The President of the United States of America, Mr. Lambert Tree, Minister Resident of the United States of America at Brussels,

His Majesty the King of the Belgians, The Prince de Caraman, His Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Chevalier de Moreau, His Minister of Agriculture, Industry and Public Works,

His Majesty the Emperor of Brazil, the Count de Villeneuve, His Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary near His Majesty the King of the Belgians,

Her Majesty the Queen Regent of Spain, Mr. de Tavira, Chargé d'Affaires, ad interim, of Spain at Brussels,

His Majesty the King of Italy, The Marquis Maffei, His Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary near His Majesty the King of the Belgians,

His Majesty the King of Portugal and of the Algarves, the Baron de Sant' Anna, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of His Very Faithful Majesty,

His Majesty the King of Servia, Mr. Marinovitch, His Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary near His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

Who, after having communicated between themselves their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following Articles:

ARTICLE I.

Independently of the obligations which result from Article 2 of the General Convention of this day, relative to the exchange of official documents and of scientific and literary publications, the respective Governments undertake to have transmitted to the legislative chambers of each

contracting State, as fast as their publication, a copy of the Official Journal as well as of the parliamentary Annals and Documents, which are given publicity.

ARTICLE II.

The States which have not taken part in the present Convention are admitted to adhere thereto on their request.

This adhesion will be notified diplomatically to the Belgian Government, and by that Government to all the other signatory States.

ARTICLE III.

The present Convention will be ratified and the ratifications will be exchanged at Brussels as soon as practicable. It is concluded for ten years from the day of the exchange of the ratifications and it will remain in force beyond that time, so long as one of the Governments shall not have declared six months in advance that it renounces it.

In witness whereof, the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed it, and have thereunto affixed their seals.

Done at Brussels, in seven copies the 15th of March, 1886.

LAMBERT TREE.	(SEAL)
PR. DE CARAMAN.	(SEAL)
CHVLIER D. MOREAU.	(SEAL)
CTE. DE VILLENEUVE.	(SEAL)
JOSÉ MA. DE TAVIRA.	(SEAL)
MAFFEI.	(SEAL)
BON DE SANT' ANNA.	(SEAL)
J. MARINOVITCH.	(SEAL)